



City of Kingston Parks and Recreation

Environmental Education Program

2019-2020 Registration Information

Owl Pellet Dissection



FAST FACTS:

What: Owl Pellet Dissection

When: TBD

Where: Classroom

Who: Grades K-5

Cost: Fees are waived for programs held in 2019-2020 for Ulster County Schools.

Support from: Office of Children and Family Services, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Program Description

- Introduction to data collection
- Owl pellet formation
- Dissection techniques
- Owls environment

Program at a Glance (Times will vary based on teacher and educator discussion)

9:45am-10:00am Educator will arrive and set up dissection stations (class not involved)

10:00-11:30am Owl Pellets Program will begin with an in class discussion about owls. This will be followed by dissectioning a pellet and compiling data. We will end by reviewing our findings and what they mean to an owls environment.

11:30-11:50am Educator will stay after program to clean up (class not involved)

Program Details

This is an in-class educational program. An environmental educator will arrive at your school with all of the necessary programming materials up to one half hour prior to the first program and will need to stay to clean up until up to one half hour after the program.

Preparations: The programming room should have one large prep table or a carpet space for the educator's materials. The students will be working around that table/carpet for the program. The



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educator will also need access to a sink before the program to get water and also after the program to clean up the watershed model.

The environmental educator will be engaging the students for the program and an appropriate code of conduct is expected from each participant:

- Classroom teachers will be present for entire program
- All discipline issues will be addressed by classroom teachers
- Any student or chaperone who is disrupting the program may be asked to leave
- Use of cell phones and texting is not permitted
- Safety is of utmost priority
- Inappropriate behavior will result in a loss of the privilege to participate in the program.

In the event of a school delay/snow day, the program will be automatically cancelled. If this occurs, the educator will contact the school program coordinator to set up a reschedule date as available.

If there are any questions, concerns or changes, the teacher should contact:

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